

1954











We, the class of 1954, gratefully dedicate our yearbook to Miss Kathryn Brown, who has humbly and efficiently rendered inestimable service to our school.

# ADMINISTRATION





We can say without exaggeration that Mr. Huntington, our County Superintendent has greatly added to the efficiency of our school.

B.S. Indiana University  
M.S. Indiana University  
1½ years additional work  
on Doctorate at Indiana  
University.



Mr. Myers, our Township Trustee, is doing a marvelous job in adding to the establishment of our fine school.



Mr. Beck, our principal, has always done his best to contribute to the welfare and efficiency of our school. He is always on hand to help the students iron out their problems and difficulties.

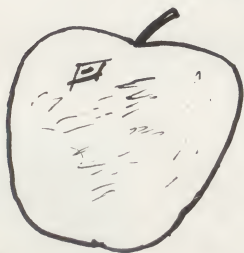
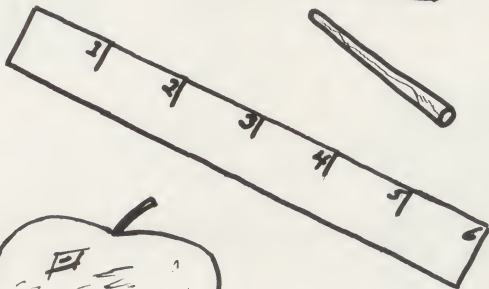
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Muncie Normal Institute  
Bachelor of Arts-Master of Science  
Indiana University-additional 1½  
years post graduate work-Indiana  
University.



Mr. Shoemaker, the assistant principal, has also devoted a great deal to the progress and development of our school.

Rose Polytechnic Institute  
B.S. Indiana University  
M.S. Indiana University

# FACULTY







FRED JONES  
History, Geography, Jr. High  
Health & Safety, Alcohol &  
Narcotics, Physical Education,  
Purdue University, West Lafayette  
Indiana A.B., B.S. Degree



JAMES B. WILSON  
Vocational Agriculture  
University of Tennessee  
B.S. Degree



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English and U.S. History  
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Home Economics  
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Ball State Teachers College,  
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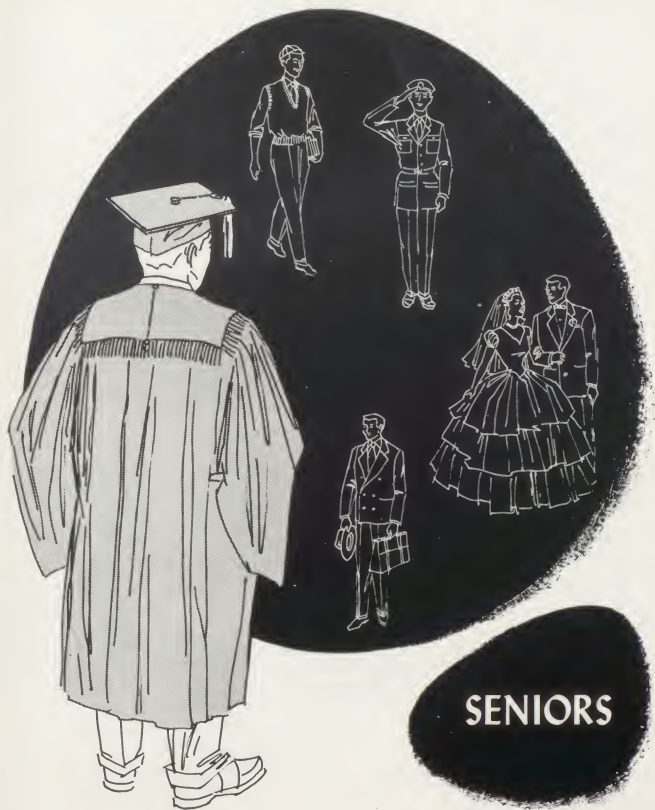
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Lafayette, Indiana  
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BETTY GHERE  
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Terre Haute, Indiana  
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B. S. Degree



KATHRYN BROWN  
English, Latin, Library Science  
Butler University, Indianapolis  
Ball State, Muncie,  
Huntington, Huntington, Indiana  
A.B. Degree





SENIORS

## *Senior History*

We began our four year tour of high school in September 1951. Our traditional name as Freshmen was "Greenies". Green though we were, we had the gumption to be one of the winning groups in the ECHO CONTEST. With Miss Stroup as our sponsor we elected Allen Stembel, president; Doris Misch, Secretary; Karen Deerberg, Treasurer; and Frank Jones and Arthur Green as Senators. After our initiation we chose Doris Misch as queen to represent us in the school Carnival. We didn't win a prize but the co-operation of our group was gratifying.

Starting our Sophomore year with Mr. Shreve as our Sponsor, we chose John Kopchik as President; Roy Bennett as Vice-President; Ruby Howard, Secretary; Doris Misch, Treasurer; and Allen Stembel and Eva Farmer as Senators. After initiating the "Greenies" of the year, we tried to out-do the former Sophomores in choosing colors for our class sweater. We chose sand and maroon colored sweaters. Showing our abilities in salesmanship we placed second in the ECHO CONTEST. Our queen for the school Carnival the second year in succession was Doris Misch.

Miss Stroup was our sponsor for the Junior year. The officers elected for this year were as follows: Jerry Grube, President; Doris Misch, Vice-President; Shirlee Williams, Secretary; Karen Deerberg, Treasurer; and John Tillema and John Kopchik, Senators. Our plans for raising money included the selling of plaques, candy and miscellaneous items such as school pins, penants, caps, etc. We ordered and received our rings which will be a source of happy memories and pride for years to come. To add more money to our fund, carry out tradition and give us pleasure we gave our Junior Play which was entitled MILLIONAIRE FROM MEMPHIS. We had a splendid cast. The play was given April 15-16. With the help of Miss Stroup we gave our Junior Prom on May 8. We used a colonial scene and we all were quite pleased with the outcome of our hard work.

As we round the corner in our Senior year, with the educational tour coming to an end, we are all looking forward to Commencement. The officers of our class this year are: John Tillema, President; Karen Deerberg, Vice-President; Doris Misch, Secretary; Jerry Grube, Treasurer; and Roy Bennett and Claudette Giemza, Senators. Plans are being made for Baccalaureate and Commencement. Baccalaureate will be held on May 16 and Commencement on May 18. With the conclusion of the latter we will close the door on a memorable experience and open a door to a richer, fuller, life with new experience and opportunities.



BEVERLY ALLEN

"Bev"

Lov'em and leav'em

Echo . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Chorus . . . . . 1-2-4  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
G.A.A. . . . . 1-2



RAY BALLARD

"Buzz"

Uh-Oh!

Chorus . . . . . 4  
Basketball . . . . . 1  
Typing Award . . . . . 3



ROY DAWN BENNETT

"Ben"

Oh! Why do I have to get

up in the morning  
Basketball . . . . . 1  
Track . . . . . 1-2-3  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
Softball . . . . . 2  
Chorus . . . . . 4  
Class Vice-President . . . 2  
Senator . . . . . 4



EDWARD CORBIN

"Bud"

What you say boy!  
Softball . . . . . 2  
Basketball . . . . . 1  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team . . . . . 2-3-4  
F.F.A. National Convention  
County Grain Judging . . 4  
International Livestock  
Show . . . . . 2-3-4  
F.F.A. State Convention . .  
F.F.A. Trip . . . . . 2  
Livestock Judging . . . 2-3  
F.F.A. Vice-President . . 4  
F.F.A. Treasurer . . . 3  
Chorus . . . . . 4



KAREN DEERBURG

"Butch"

Live as long as you want,  
never want as long as you  
live.  
Millionaire From Memphis . 3  
District Chorus Contest . .  
Scholarship Award . . . 1-2  
Arcus . . . . . 2  
Echo . . . . . 1  
Music Festival . . . . . 2  
Class Vice-President . . . 4  
Class Treasurer . . . . . 3



ETHEL DE MOSS

"Pamlet"

I'll tell you when I get  
time.  
Sunshine Society . . . . 4  
Chorus . . . . . 1-3-4



JANE DeYOUNG

"Punk"

Why:

Echo . . . . .	3-4
Arcus . . . . .	4
Sunshine Society . . . . .	4



ANGENETTE GORTER

"Angie"

A fool and his money are soon parted

Chorus . . . . .	1-2-3-4
4-H Club . . . . .	2-3-4
Chorus Contest . . . . .	2-3-4
Arcus . . . . .	4
Echo . . . . .	1-2-3-4
Millionaire From Memphis . . . . .	3
Typing Award . . . . .	3



CLAUDETTE L. GIENZA

Almighty

Senior Senator . . . . .	1-2
Band . . . . .	



ARTHUR C. GREEN

"Sach"

You know it

Basketball . . . . .	1-2
Football . . . . .	1-2-3
Track . . . . .	1-2
Attendance Award . . . . .	1-2
Senator . . . . .	1-2



JERRY GRUBE

"Jake"

What's it to you

F.F.A. . . . .	1-2-3-4
Softball . . . . .	2
Parliamentary Procedure . . . . .	
Team . . . . .	2-3-4
International Livestock Show . . . . .	3
F.F.A. National Convention . . . . .	4
State Fair . . . . .	1-4
F.F.A. State Convention . . . . .	1
County Grain Judging . . . . .	2-3-4
Livestock Judging . . . . .	3
F.F.A. President . . . . .	4
Class President . . . . .	3
F.F.A. Secretary . . . . .	3
Class Treasurer . . . . .	4
Chorus . . . . .	4
Millionaire From Memphis . . . . .	3
Typing Award . . . . .	3
Arcus . . . . .	4



PHYLLIS LORENE HETRICK

"Skeeter"

If looks could kill, I'd be dead!

G.A.A. . . . .	1
Echo . . . . .	4
Arcus . . . . .	4
Sunshine Society . . . . .	4
Scholarship Award . . . . .	1-2-3
Reading Certificate . . . . .	1
Attendance Award . . . . .	1-2
Typing Award . . . . .	3



FIRMAN ROBERT HETRICK  
"Dick"

Always have faith for  
everything you do

F.F.A. . . . . 4  
Millionaire From Memphis. 3



JOHN KOPCHIK  
"Junior"

Now or never

Library Club. . . 1-2-3-4  
Citizenship Award. . . 2  
Typing Award. . . . 3  
Latin Honor Society. 1-2  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
Class President . . . 2  
Vice-President Library  
Club . . . . . 4  
Senator. . . . . 3  
Arcus Editor . . . . 4



ROBERT LYKINS  
"Pumphandle"

Don't know do you

Millionaire From Memphis. 3  
F.F.A. . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Chorus . . . . . 3-4  
Student Manager. . . . 2  
Softball . . . . . 2  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team. . . . . 2-3-4  
County Grain Judging. 2-3-4  
County Livestock Judging. .  
. . . . . 2-3-4  
F.F.A. Secretary. . . . 4



DORIS MISCH  
"Annie"

Smile And The World  
Smiles With You

Band . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Echo . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Library Club . . . . 2-3-4  
Scholarship Award. . 1-2-3  
Band Contest . . . . 1-2-3-4  
District Latin Contest  
Award. . . . . 1-2  
Citizenship Award. . . 1  
D.A.R. Award . . . . 4  
Class Secretary. . . . 4  
Class Vice-President . . 3  
Class Treasurer. . . . 2  
Band President . . . . 4  
Library Club Treasurer. 4



LOUISE ANN McCARTY  
"Lu Lu"

Explain this to me

Chorus . . . . . 1  
Reading Certificate. 1-2-3  
Attendance Award. . . 1-2-3  
Echo . . . . . 1-4  
Scholarship Award . . 1-3  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
Typing Award. . . . . 3



PHYLLIS MILLER  
"Pete"

You don't know do you

Sunshine Club. . . . . 4  
Library Club . . . . . 4  
Echo . . . . . 1  
Chorus. . . . . 1-2-3-4  
G.A.A. . . . . 1



JOHN NEELY JR.  
"Mustang Neely"  
Don't ask me

F.F.A. . . . . 1-2-3-4  
F.F.A. Trip . . . . . 2  
Chorus . . . . . 3-4  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team . . . . . 3  
County Grain Judging. 2-3-4  
State Fair. . . . . 3



BETTY OWENS  
"Bets"  
Better believe it  
Chorus . . . . . 1-2-3-4



AURELIA PLAGA  
"Rickie"  
Never do today, what you  
can put off till tomorrow  
Band . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Chorus . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Echo . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Arcus . . . . . 3-4  
Millionaire From Memphis. 3  
Library Club . . . . . 2-3-4  
Solo Contest . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
State Solo Contest . . . . . 2  
Band Contest . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Scholarship Award . . . . . 3  
District Latin Contest . . . . . 1  
Attendance Award. . . . . 3  
Typing Award. . . . . 3  
Sunshine Society. . . . . 4  
Band Librarian. . . . . 4



SALLY ANN DUCKA  
"Suzie"

Never say more than is  
necessary

Echo . . . . . 1-4  
Library Club . . . . . 2-3-4  
Scholarship Award. . . . . 1-2-3  
Attendance Award. . . . . 1  
Citizenship Award. . . . . 3  
Reading Certificate. 1-2-3  
Arcus. . . . . 4



HAROLD WAYNE REEDER  
"Harry"

So: What do you want  
a medal?

Football . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Basketball . . . . . 1-2  
Track . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
F.F.A. . . . . 1-2-3  
Millionaire From Memphis. 3  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team . . . . . 1-2-3  
Boys Service Club . . . . . 4  
Delegate to the F.F.A.  
Convention. . . . . 3  
F.F.A. trip to Mammoth  
Cave. . . . . 3  
Grain Judging. . . . . 2-3  
Livestock Judging. . . . . 2-3  
Poultry Judging . . . . . 1  
F.F.A. Sentinel . . . . . 3  
Study Hall Monitor. . . . . 4



JUNE SCULLEY  
"June Bug"

You name it, I'll kill it  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
Attendance Award. . . . . 2  
Scholarship Award . . . . . 2  
Library Club. . . . . 2





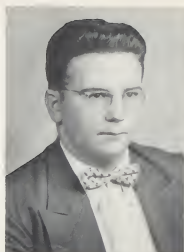
SHIRLEY SEEGERS  
"Shirley Jean"  
Oh, Nuts!

Echo . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Band . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
4-H Club . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
4-H Jr. Leader . . . . . 2-3-4  
Library Club . . . . . 3-4  
Arcus . . . . . 4  
Sunshine Society . . . . . 4  
Chorus . . . . . 4  
Band Contest . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Scholarship Award . . . . . 2  
Typing Award . . . . . 3  
President of Sunshine  
Society . . . . . 4  
President of 4-H Club . . . . . 1-2  
Secretary of 4-H Club . . . . . 3



ALLEN STEMPEL  
"Sheeny"

I'm at a loss for words  
Library Club . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Boy's Service Club . . . . . 4  
Track . . . . . 1-2  
Basketball . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Millionaire From Memphis . . . . . 3  
Echo . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Arcus . . . . . 3-4  
Attendance Award . . . . . 1-2-3  
Scholarship Award . . . . . 2  
Softball . . . . . 2  
Reading Certificate . . . . . 1-2  
President of Class . . . . . 1  
President of Library Club . . . . . 4  
Senator . . . . . 2



LARRY L. THOMAS  
"Reverend"  
Life is rough

Band . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Chorus . . . . . 4  
F.F.A. . . . . 3  
French Club . . . . . 1  
R.O.T.C. . . . . 2  
Student Manager . . . . . 1  
Arcus . . . . . 1-4  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team . . . . . 3



JOHN TILLEWA  
"Big John"

The bigger they are  
the harder you fall  
Basketball . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Football . . . . . 3  
Track . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Softball . . . . . 2  
Library Club . . . . . 2-3-4  
Echo . . . . . 3-4  
Arcus . . . . . 3-4  
Reading Certificate . . . . . 1-2  
Scholarship Award . . . . . 3  
Senator . . . . . 3  
Class President . . . . . 4



ALADENA WHITAKER  
"Deanie"

I'll tell you some time  
Chorus . . . . . 1-2-3-4  
G.A.A. . . . . 1



RICHARD WRIGHT  
"Rich"

Is that right?  
F.F.A. . . . . 1-2-3-4  
Parliamentary Procedure  
Team . . . . . 2-3  
International Livestock  
Show . . . . . 2-3-4  
State Fair . . . . . 4  
County Grain Judging . . . . . 2-3-4  
Chorus . . . . . 4

## *Class Will*

We, the class of 1954, will to the faculty the right to select their own type of students.  
We, the class of '54, will to the underclassmen, escalators, so that they won't have to slide down the bannisters.

First, we leave to the Juniors our Senior worries and hope they will do better with them.

Second we leave to the Sophomores our ability to get our majors and minors before we are Seniors.

I, Beverly Allen, will my figure to Betty Reeder.

I, Raymond Ballard, will my line for the girls to Carson Baily.

I, John Tillema, will my height to Harry Waddle and my ability to play basketball to Donald Fulayter.

I, Allan Stembel, will anything I have to anyone who wants it.

I, Edward Corbin, will some of my excess weight to Kay

McFarland, who can't manage to gain any.

I, Jerry Grube, will my seat in the assembly to anyone who is smart enough to sit in it.

I, Robert Lykins, will my ambition to stay in school to Bill Hershman, so he won't have to stay in the Detention Hall.

I, Roy Bennett, will my ability to play pool to Art Savich.

I, John Neely, will my quite ways to Bob Mathis, who talks too much.

I, Robert Hetrick, will my ability to get along with the Medaryville girls to Bob Hershman.

I, John Kopchik, will my golden voice to the chorus, (They sure need it.)

I, Ethel DeMoss, will my ability to get along with anybody on the bus to Dick Manns.

I, Sally Pucka, will my job in the office to anyone who can type on the office typewriter.

I, Richard Wright, will my ability to get along with the teachers to Carson Baily, and my hidden talents to anyone who can find them.

I, Louise McCarty, will my job, collecting the grade school lunch money, to any underclassman who likes to climb stairs.

I, Shirley Seegers, will my silliness to anyone who can handle it.

I, Phyllis Miller, will my shortness to Deanna Pekech and my bookkeeping book to Miss Ghare.

I, June Sculley, will my ability to get bookkeeping to anyone who is fool enough to take it.

I, Aurelia Plaga, will my shortness to Leona Jones, and my ability to get to band on time to Don Fulaytar.

I, Doris Misch, will my tallness to Betty Allen and my place in band to Arla Deerberg.

I, Arthur Green, will my good behavior to Doyle Lee.  
I, Karen Deerberg, will my ability to get ready on time to Cheryn Minor.  
I, Angenette Gorter, will my naturally blonde hair to Dianne Venekamp, and my ability to get along with Miss Stroup to Roselene Prater.  
I, Aladena Whitaker, will my dimples to Linda Green and my ability to get engaged to Peggy DeMoss.  
I, Betty Owens, will my curly hair to Kay McFarland and my temper to Jewel Smith.  
I, Jane DeYoung, will the middle part in my hair to Betty Myers.  
I, Wayne Reeder, will my long eyelashes to anyone who can't grow them.  
I, Larry Thomas, will my weight to Jesse Collins.  
I, Claudette Gienza, will my ability to file things so that Mr. Beck can't find them to anybody who will help Mr. Beck look for them.  
I, Phyllis Hetrick, will nothing to anyone who wishes to get something for nothing.

#### CLASS MOTTO

Success Is First A Dream

#### CLASS COLORS

Blue And White

## Class Poem

Beverly Allen, so quiet and shy,  
Never seems to hold her guy;  
That's something I can't understand  
Because she really is so grand.

Raymond Ballard, the quiet type;  
In bookkeeping he is always right.  
Yet behind his timid style,  
For all the girls he has a smile.

Roy Bennett's the guy who's tops with the dames,  
He eyes everyone and seldom complains.  
He really knows how to handle a ball;  
You can see him do wonders in any pool hall.

Edward Corbin, next on our list,  
Sweet eighteen and never been kissed;  
Don't know why; he's really swell.  
Let's wait and see, for time will tell.

Ethel DeMoss, of skating she's fond,  
Whether in the rink on the pond.  
Her future is great, and soon she'll be  
Greatly performing for you and me.

Here's a cute little blonde with pretty light hair;  
When she has a home, twill be in good care.  
She's always striving to do her best,  
It's Jane DeYoung we're sure you have guessed.

She's modest, sensible, and wise,  
But still can be a bombshell in disguise.  
Claudette Giemza's fair and frank;  
With all the honored she will rank.

Lively and friendly, jolly and eager,  
She proves the opposite sex isn't the weaker.  
Firm of purpose, steady of eye,  
Angette Gorter will win quite a guy.

Jerry Grube, our farmer boy,  
Always bashful, always coy.  
Full of fun, full of pep  
Man! This kid is really hep.

We know a girl whom we think a good sport,  
Vivacious and friendly with a cheerful retort;  
Phyllis Hetrick keeps herself exquisite and prim;  
Neat in dress with vigor and vim.

Though shy and silent, slow to speak his mind,  
A better person you will never find.  
Robert Hetrick plans to raise prize winning crops,  
And will, for he's the type that never stops.

Lithe and active and lots of fun,  
John Kopchik always ready to jump the gun;  
His is the most impish smile that we know;  
In life as in school he'll never be slow.

Robert Lykins, whom we admire,  
Of jokes and pranks he'll never tire;  
He always has a trick or two,  
That he is ready to play on you.

Louise McCarty, so clever and bright,  
Her work is always done just right;  
She always seems to know the score,  
Who could ask for anything more.

Here's someone who is liked by everyone,  
A swell personality mixed in with fun;  
He's full of humor from his head to his toes,  
Yep! This is Arthur Green as everyone knows.

With a dimple in her cheek and a twinkle in her eye,  
A little round face and her hopes set high,  
Phyllis Miller will have the fellows galore,  
If she uses all of her charm and allure.

Doris Misch, so quiet and coy,  
Is always seen with a certain boy;  
She's always willing to do a good deed,  
To help some classmate who is in need.

He's willing, likable, and light-hearted.  
Great will be our loss when he's departed.  
John Neely needs no coaxing from a soul  
To do his part in life's long tiring pull.

Watch those dashing, daring eyes,  
That quickly scale you down to size.  
Easily a man's emotions she'll inflame,  
Betty Owens, that's her name.

Karen Deerberg, full of fun,  
Always cheerful, never glum.  
She is really quite the clown,  
Never willing to settle down.

Aurelia Plaga, one of our talented few,  
Can play a piano and saxophone too.  
Her singing is great, she's really grand;  
She'll soon be famous throughout the land.

A small and quavery voice I hear  
Coming from someone we all love dear.  
Petite and pretty, chick and neat,  
Sally Pucka's quite a treat.

The girls all go for his muscular build;  
Many a position in their hearts he has filled.  
If there are those who like to be teased,  
Wayne Reeder should make them very much pleased.

June Sculley in her friendly ways,  
Will make people happy to the end of her days.  
She plans to be a receptionist when she gets through school;  
Sincerity and simplicity will be her life long rule.

Shirley Seegers so neat and keen,  
And all her talents are easily seen;  
She seems so jolly the whole day long,  
And does her Home Ec. with a song.

Allen Stembel, known as Sheeny to us,  
Causes much commotion and fuss;  
But when at a ball game, and he's on the floor,  
For baskets we need worry no more.

Larry Thomas seems to be  
Quite interested in making history,  
He plans one day to own a ranch  
We're all hoping he gets his chance.

John Tillema is our working man;  
He putters about whenever he can.  
He makes those old cars rarin' to go;  
There's nothing about cars he doesn't know.

Aladena Whitaker deserves a hand,  
For she finally hooked her man.  
She wears her diamond with joyous pride,  
She'll make him such a charming bride.

Richard Wright is usually studious and quiet,  
But get him started and he's quite a riot.  
What he likes best is to hunt and fish,  
Success in life we know is his wish.

## Class Prophecy

The time is the year of our Lord, 1964, in the month of February. The place? You'll find out later.

"What a beautiful room!" exclaimed the young matron. "How did you ever swing this deal, Karen?"

"It was simple, you know how much influence my fiancée has with the government. He told Roy to come up here and he'd give him a lot of publicity as well as a few campaign friends. Of course Sally helped him to arrange the deal."

"Gee, I think it's wonderful. A class reunion and a Lincoln Day dinner all wrapped up into one! And all those celebrities! Wow! Terry Moore, Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable, President Roy Bennett, Vice-President Margaret Chase Smith, and of course our Secretary of Agriculture Jerry Grube, as well as our home state first lady Senator, Sally Pucka."

"Don't forget Shirley Seegers, she's head of all 4-H work in Indiana now."

"Of course, how could I."

"Look, here come Wayne and Jane Reeder."

"Oh yes, they were going to come on the same plane with me, but they had to cancel their flight at the last minute. Their mother took sick and they had to find another baby sitter."

"Imagine it would take a while with six children."

"I'm sure Jane didn't have any trouble. She knows more people."

"How are Wayne and the Chicago Bears coming along?"

"Why he's their star half-back now."

"I knew he had it in him. I remember he won all our games for us back at Wheatfield."

"As I live and breathe! Angenette Gorter! I haven't seen her since we graduated. Her mother told me she ran a hair dressing salon in Lafayette."

"Leave it to Angenette. I knew she'd make good."

"But she can't compare to you and June. Not only do you have a fashion shop catering to the elite of Park and Fifth Avenue, but a millionaire boy friend besides."

"Yes, isn't it wonderful. Soon I'll be Mrs. Karen Vanderbuilt the III."

"How about June?"

"Didn't you know? June's going steady with one of the Rockefellers."

"My, what a promising prospect!"

"By the way, I read in the Chicago Tribune the other night that You, Aurelia Plaga, were voted one of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's most valuable players."

"Isn't it grand! I received a cash bonus of \$5,000 for the honor."

"What a handsome couple over by the window!"

"Did you see them on television the other night? I think they're as good as Lucy and Desi used to be."

"Who'd ever think that Ray Ballard and Beverly Allen would have their own program called, 'Bev and Ray.'"

"Don't you envy them? Owning a 35 room mansion in Beverly Hills, California; with a golf course in the back yard, a private swimming pool for each member of the family and a polo field in the front?"

"Oh, I don't know, I like my penthouse very much. The only trouble is that it is so high up that it frosts too soon and kills my vegetables before I know what's happening."

"Oh, Karen, you always did like to complain."

"Ha, ha, here come the two tycoons, John Tillema and Allan Stembel. The last time Allen wrote to me, he was head designer for the Ford Motor Co."

"I guess they're both partial to Fords. John's quite a salesman now. He's owner of the Ford Sales in Wheatfield. Some driver too! Did you see yesterday's sport page in the New York Times? He's been acclaimed as the first person to win the Mexican Road race for the fourth consecutive year!"

"Well if he drove as hard as he played basketball, I can easily understand how he won."

"Listen to this," whispered Aurelia, "Phyllis Miller, Betty Owens, and Louise McCarty told me a lot of things on the way here. They take the Wheatfield News, and read that Phyllis Hetrick's bakery was so successful it undersold the other two."

"That's really something," laughed Karen, "It's nice you girls get to stay together though", she reflected.

"Yes, I like it very much. Poor Phyllis has to work such long hours as a nurse at the Cook County Hospital though. She's so tired when she gets home at night."

"I'm sure she likes it though," added Karen.

"Oh, she's crazy about it."

"I imagine Marshall Fields would be lost without Betty Owens as its head accountant."

"Yes," said Aurelia, "she was such a whiz at bookkeeping."

"And Louise, I knew she would do something with her phenomenal culinary prowess."

"Yes, professor," laughed Aurelia, "her job's no snap though, being head of the Home Economics Department of Betty Crocker."

"I can see her making her workers snap to attention every morning when she briefs them for the day."

"Well, Louise is a splendid worker," surmised Aurelia.

"She sure is," agreed Karen.

"Here's the great businesswoman, Ethel DeMoss."

"Where?" said Karen.

"Over by the east door, coming in with Sonny Green and his wife Doris Misch."

"It is something to be proud of. It took a lot of business acumen to develop her department store into the largest in Indiana."

"I'll have to hand it to her the way she finagled the New York Central Railroad into running an extra line into Rensselaer."

"I guess she needed it to handle all her business," joked Karen.

"I bet Sonny gives the New York Central in Kersey all the business it can handle with his world's largest Oldsmobile dealership."

"Yes the Kersey Motor Sales is certainly booming."

"Did you see who was at the other end of the banquet table?"

"No, it can't be!"

"Richard Wright and his two cohorts, John Neely and Robert Lykins."

"Let's speak to them. I want to find out what they're doing," urged Karen.

"Why, hello girls, I see you turned out for the big shindig too." spoke Richard.



"Isn't it marvelous," sighed Aurelia.  
"Never saw anything like it," chirped John.  
"Tell me what you're doing now, Richard," begged Karen, "I know everybody's business but yours."  
"Why I'm the biggest farmer a'goin' in them thar sandhills. I just bought out the Gehering Estate. John and Bob here ran my trucking outfit for me."

"Do tell! Do tell!" sang out Karen and Aurelia in unison.  
"How's Aladena Whitaker and her husband getting along?" asked Karen.  
"They're living in Meadaryville now," said Robert, "and are part of the town's leading citizens. Aladena is active in the woman's clubs and her husband is a big contractor."

"My, my," murmured Karen and Aurelia.  
"We're all going to Florida next week," said Richard, "and visit Ed Corbin at Miama Beach. He rakes in a pile at his resort every week, and we don't mean leaves."

"Karen! That's what we'll do on our vacation! Wouldn't it be fun?" said June, who had been standing quietly among the group a short while.

"Lead me away. I'm drooling," Karen replied.  
"Too bad Dick Hetrick couldn't come. I guess the lions and hyenas are keeping him busy," said Aurelia.

"Just last week, I got a rhinoceros head sent from Africa C.O.D." said Richard.

"That sounds like Dick," laughed June, "I saw in the Chicago Daily News about a shipment he sent to the Brookfield Zoo--monkeys, snakes, hippopotamuses, and everything!"

"Look over by the speaker's platform. One of Californias best juvenile judges, Larry Thomas!" exclaimed Karen.

"And right beside him is John Kopchik," added Aurelia.

"What's he doing?" asked June.

"June," replied Karen, "I thought you knew! He's a professor of physics at I.U. and is the head of a project working on the Z bomb! They call it that because they figure it's as powerful as the blasted thing will get."

"Well, we're all here now but Bob Hetrick, Ed Corbin, and Claudette Gienza," said Aurelia.

"It's a darn shame about Claudette," added Karen, "She taught successfully all over the state then decided to come home and teach English at Wheatfield. She's been in the sanatorium over a year now, but I hear she's getting better."

"Quick! Let's get to the table. The toastmaster just announced that the honorable Roy Bennett is about to speak," said Aurelia.

"I bet the Waldorf-Astoria never saw such a crowd," said June.

"You can say that again," said Karen, and they all laughed as they walked expectantly and hurriedly toward the table.

Just then Karen's fiancée and June's boyfriend walked up to escort them to their proper seats.

"Come along, dear," said Karen's fiancée.

"We can't keep the President waiting."

"Isn't it thrilling," said Karen, "I'll never forget tonight as long as I live."

## *Class Farewell*

As we end our journey at Wheatfield High School we wish to bid farewell to our principal, the faculty, and all the underclassmen who have made our journey such a pleasant and profitable one.

With a tear in our eye we remember many an hour spent in our quiet and peaceful assembly "studying" with one eye on the assembly clock, which was hardly ever on time, patiently waiting for the bell to ring.

We recall the home economics classes, with the enticing aroma of burned pie crusts and scorched candy.

We will never forget our typing classes where we slammed the carriages of the typewriters in time to the haunting melody of a time clock.

Farewell to the political discussions we have had in government in order to get out of having a lesson we hadn't studied.

Can we ever forget our experiences as office workers, as we tunneled through the papers on Mr. Beck's desk in a hopeless search for a lost paper; the office typewriter with its unusual margins and its unique way of skipping spaces as our fingers pounded the keys; and then there was the ditto on which we ran off many an unreadable paper.

The science room was always the center of attention since most of our chemistry experiments "went up in smoke".

As usual, as the 3:30 bell rang there was a mad scramble as the students made a dash for the bus.



BEY



SKEETER, DICK



RICKIE



HARRY



JUNIOR



BUD



BUTCH



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JAKE



SHIRLEY JEAN



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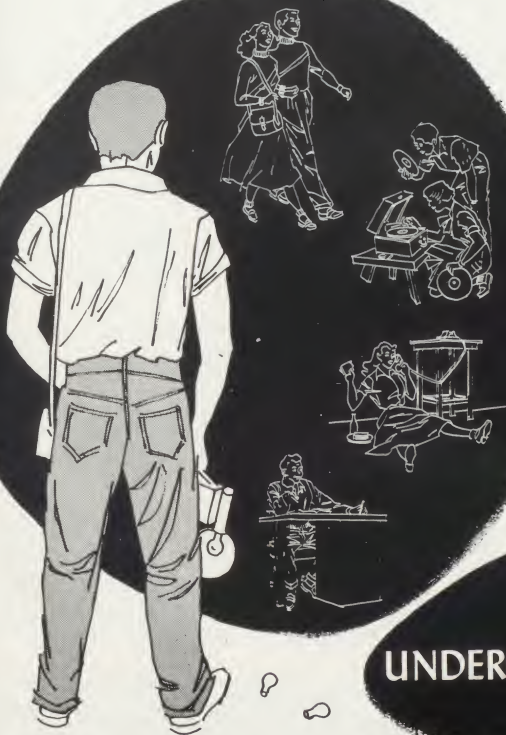
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**UNDERGRADS**



### *Junior Class Officers*

President, Donald Fulayter; Vice-President, Ray Reeder; Secretary, Carolyn Martin; Treasurer, James O'Conner; Senators, Wilma Salyer, Kenneth Jones.

### *Junior Class News*

"It seems to me I've been through all this before" echoed down the hall.

And "This building seems familiar to me, too" came the reply.

Yes, the building was familiar and you had been through it all before but then every "first day of school" is a little different. This "first day" the "Class of '55" were starting their Junior year in high school. In our class were 44 students. The officers are listed above.

One of the most important projects in the Junior year is to raise funds to finance the rest of the high school days. With this in mind the Juniors ran a stand at home football and basketball games and also in the basement during lunch hour.

Then in the middle of the year came one of the most exciting and mixed-up moments in our Junior year, the choosing of our class ring. After all was settled we chose a style called the "Skystreak" and received our rings in January much to the delight of all the Juniors.

Then came "Finders Creepers". No one had lost anything, this was our class play. The play was a great success and everyone connected with it gained great experience.

At this time the theme for the Junior-Senior Prom has not been decided but everyone is looking forward to it enthusiastically.



BETTY  
ALLEN

EDWIN  
ALLSEITZ

BETHEL  
BAILEY

GEORGE  
BAILEY

JOHN  
BOESCH

FORREST  
CAMPBELL



JESSIE  
COLLINS



THERMAN  
CONLEY



SHIRLEY  
DAVIS



RAY  
DYBCIO



PAUL  
FLETCHER



STANLEY  
FRIBERG



LINDA  
GREEN



BILL  
HERSHMAN



ANNA  
HETRICK



BRUCE  
HOWARD



STEVE  
KERKES



DOYLE  
LEE



MARY  
LONG



KAY  
McFARLAND



LOYS  
MYERS



CHERYN  
MINOR



DONNIE  
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BETTY  
MYERS



MARY  
O'CONNER



JIM  
RISNER



WALTER  
ROSSMANITH



GREGORY  
SCHIFF



ROGER  
SCULLEY



HARVEY  
VAN KLEY



RICHARD  
VAN VUREN



DIANNA  
VENEKAMP



DEANNA  
WALKER



MACKY  
WHITAKER



KAREN  
WILLIAMS



PAT  
MILLER





#### SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

President, Jim Osborn; Vice-President, Art Savich; Secretary, Mary Grube; Treasurer, Gisela Jacobsma; Senators, Ray Scully, Madge Arnett.

### *Sophomore Class News*

We started out our second year as Sophomores hoping to go through without very many difficulties.

With Mr. Manke as our sponsor we elected our class officers listed above.

The Sophomores lost in the Echo contest and very faithfully helped give the Christmas Party for the three winning classes.

On October 19, the man from Decker's came and we ordered our class sweaters. We chose gray with green letters. Then one day in early January our sweaters arrived and the halls were filled with gray and green sweaters.

In our next two years of high school we will all be striving to achieve higher goals and make the best of our high school days.



FATIMA  
ARMSTRONG

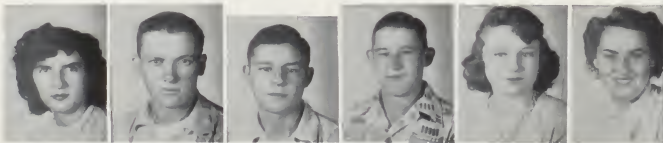
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BOEZMAN

HELEN  
BORMANN

BETTY  
BOWEN

ARLENE  
BROWN



DONNA  
BROWN

JOHN  
CALDWELL

RICHARD  
CAVINDER

HENRY  
DeBRUEN

ARLA  
DEERBERG

GRACE  
DeHAAN





CHRISTINE  
DeMOSS



PEGGY  
DeMOSS



GLORIA  
FRYBORT



LILLIAN  
FULAYTAR



WILBERT  
HAMSTRA



BOB  
HARSHMAN



GORDON  
HILTON



CHARLES  
HENDRIX



MARY  
JACKSON



HELEN  
LOVELY



LUCILLE  
McCARTY



PEARLIE  
MESSER



JOHN  
MYERS



DEANNA  
PEKECH



PHYLLIS  
PIERSON



ROSALENE  
PRATER



DONALD  
RAICH



ELIZABETH  
REEDER



FRED  
ROSSMANITH



ALVIN  
SEEGBERS



BERNARD  
SEEGBERS



RUBY  
SELBY



TWYLA  
SCULLEY



DOROTHY  
SNOW



NANCY  
STARZER



BARBARA  
TERPSTRA



JOYCE  
TILLEWA



CAROLINE  
WHITAKER



SHIRLEY  
WILLIAMS



MELVIN  
WIREMAN



WAYNE  
CALLOWAY



#### FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

President, Carolyn Dahm; Vice-President, Robert Braun; Secretary, Wilma Hetrick; Treasurer, Ronnie Gastineau; Senators, David Krieve and Roy Jungle.

### *Freshman Story*

The officers for the Freshman class are: President, Carolyn Dahm; Vice-President, Robert Braun; Secretary, Wilma Hetrick; Treasurer, Ronnie Gastineau; Senators, David Krieve and Roy Jungle.

Our sponsor is Miss Brown. Our class won the echo contest, therefore, three other classes had to give us a party. We also brought in the most money in our stands at the carnival.



CHARLES  
ARNETT



PATTY  
BACHMAN



PHYLLIS  
BAYS



JOLENE  
BENOIT



RONALD  
BENOIT



CAROLE  
BLADICK



TOM  
BLASZCZYK



DENNIS  
BROWN



TEVIS  
CALLOWAY



CAROL  
CAVINDER



DAVID  
CAVINDER



BARBARA  
CONLEY



LOUELLA  
CONLEY



JAMES  
DAVIS



HENRY  
DeHANN



JANICE  
DeMOSS



BEVERLY  
FERRELL



BILLY  
FLORENCE



IDA  
FREEMAN



JAMES  
GELBERT



TOMMY  
GRUBE



ELIZA  
HARRIS



DAVID  
HAYES



HENRY  
HENRICKS



WANDA  
HILL



ALVIN  
HOFFMAN



GENE  
HOLBROOK



DEVON  
JONES



KAY  
JONES



LEONA  
JONES



TRACY  
JONES



ROBERT  
KERKES



TONY  
KOSSOKOWSKI



AUDREY  
KRYPEL



EARNEST  
MANNS



PEGGY  
MARTIN



MILDRED  
MASSOTH



JOE  
McFARLAND



IRENE  
MUELLER



CAROL  
MYERS



REX  
MYERS



LEE  
PIERSON



HENRIETTA  
REED



MARY  
ROBBINS



RAY  
SALVER



PATTY  
SCHULTZ



ROBERT  
SCULLEY



FRANK  
SHIELDS



JEWELL  
SMITH



JOY  
SMITH



JERRY  
STANTON



SONJIA  
STANTON



JACK  
VAN VUREN



JAMES  
WIREMAN



JACK  
WRIGHT



DOROTHY  
ALLEN



### 8th Grade

FIRST ROW: Janice Garling, Karen Meyers, Billy Sampson, Donald Jefferson, Carol Hoffman, Billy Bice, Louise Stalbaum, Vernon Tillema.  
 SECOND ROW: Mr. Wilson, Jean Fulaytar, Arthur Bierma, Kenneth Hetrick, Bob Mathis, Gunner Jacobsma, Margaret Schulyz, Joan Meyers.  
 THIRD ROW: Alberta Leach, Charles Williams, Larry Merkel, Mary Salyer, Donald Hendrix, Buddy Hilton, Joyce Hilton.



### 7th Grade

FIRST ROW: Curtis Martin, David Holbrook, Gilbert Klemp, Walter Klemp, Fred Bailey, James Ferrell, Diane Olson, Louise Wright, Alice Finney, Ronald Jefferson, Billie Ferrell, Judy Korniak.  
 SECOND ROW: Mr. Stone, Eldon Jeffries, Steve Mathis, Ronald Stanton, Ricky Boezman, Carolyn Ronzani, Leona Lauritis, Anne Sculley, Mary Misch, Jean Hayes, Bobby Florence, Bill Davis, Marvin Barker.  
 THIRD ROW: Patty Thomas, Joyce Wolf, Louise Grube, Larry Peshel, Dorothy Bice, Linda Robbins, Paul Hoffman, Barbara Root, Judith Stewart, Eddie Allyn, Carl Johnson.



**ACTIVITIES**





### *Arcus Staff*

- FRONT ROW: Mr. Beck, co-sponsor; Shirley Seegers, Assistant Senior Editor; Allen Stembel, Business Manager; John Kopchik, Editor-in-Chief; James O'Connor, Underclass Editor; Linda Green, Activities Editor; Mr. Sutton, Sponsor.
- SECOND ROW: Wilma Salyer, Assistant Activities Editor; Deanna Walker; Jane DeYoung; Dianne Venekamp, Assistant Sports Editor; Sally Pucka; Lois Meyers; Anna Hetrick; Phyllis Hetrick; Aurelia Plaga, Distribution Editor; Beverly Allen; Carlyn Martin.
- THIRD ROW: Betty Jean Meyers; Shirley Davis; Mary O'Connor; Karen Williams; Raymond Dybcio; John Tillema, Assistant Business Manager; Doyle Lee; Forrest Campbell; Ray Reeder; Cheryn Minor; Louise McCarty.

Early in "53" the staff was chosen by Mr. Sutton. These students were chosen because of their past records as conscientious workers.

The assignments were distributed early in February and through the diligence of the staff, were completed in record time.

The staff wishes to thank Miss Ghere and our sponsor, Mr. Sutton, for their untiring efforts toward the completion of this annual.



### *Echo Staff*

The 1954 officers are as follows: Editors: Doris Misch, James O'Conner; Associate Editor: Kay McFarland, Business Manager: Allen Stembel; Assistant Manager: Don Fulayter; Make-up: Beverly Allen, Shirley Seegers, Aurelia Plaga, Wilma Salyer.

- FIRST ROW: Allen Stembel, Doris Misch, James O'Conner, Kay McFarland, Charles Sutton, Sponsor.
- SECOND ROW: Wilma Salyer, Patty Shultz, Beverly Allen, Sonja Stanton, Jane DeYoung, Dianne Venekamp, Phyllis Hetrick, Twyla Sculley, Aurelia Plaga, Pat Jefferson.
- THIRD ROW: Kay Jones, Mary Bayes, Mary O'Conner, Sally Pucka, Doralee Boezman, Cheryn Minor, Barbara Terpstra, Wilma Hetrick.
- FOURTH ROW: Henretta Reed, Louise McCarty, Mary Robbins, Lillian Fulayter, Roselene Prater, Mary Long, Shirley Davis, Bethel Bailey, Walter Rossmanith.
- FIFTH ROW: Madge Arnett, Shirlet Seegers, Deanna Pekech, Bruce Howard, John Tillema, Don Fulayter, Angenette Gorter, Joyce Tillema, Mary Grube.

The staff again this year printed its own paper. Our Sponsor, Mr. Sutton, was new at Wheatfield and at the first of the year the paper ran into deep water. At the present the paper is coming along fairly well and the staff is working hard to improve it.





### *Library Club*

FRONT ROW: Eddie Allan; Doris Misch, Secretary-Treasurer; Allen Stembel, President; Curt Martin, Leader of Helpers; Miss Brown, Sponsor; Tommy Strain.  
 SECOND ROW: Kay Jones; Tommy Grube; Pat Jefferson; Ronald Stanton; Phyllis Miller; Connie Meyers; Eldon Jeffries; Aurelia Plaga.  
 THIRD ROW: Shirley Seegers; Sally Pucka; Arthur Bierma; Alvin Hoffman; Carol Hoffman; Louise Stalbaum; Kenny DeHaan.  
 FOURTH ROW: Philip Cambe; James O'Connor; John Kopchik; John Tillema; Bruce Howard; Walter Rossmanith; Kay McFarland.

The duty of the members of the Library Club is to officiate the library.



### *Student Council*

This is our governing body known as the senate. They are elected by their classmates as representatives of their classes.

This year with the excellent help of Mr. Beck, and our President Kenneth Jones, we have discussed and worked out solutions to many problems in the school.

FIRST ROW: Mr. Beck, Claudette Giemza, Wilma Salyer, Kenneth Jones, Roy Bennett, Madge Arnett.

SECOND ROW: Arthur Bierma, Roy Jungles, David Grieve, Junner Jacobsma, Curt Martin, Richard Boezman.



The Wheatfield SUNSHINE SOCIETY, pictured above, was newly organized this year. The Society, an organization for girls, has as its main purpose the welfare of others. The Sunshine was active in the Tuberculosis Drive and the March of Dimes. A contribution was given to the Riley Hospital Fund.

The girls are pictured from left to right:

- FIRST ROW: Bottom: Arlene Brown; Betty Reeder; Aurelai Plaga; Sonja Stanton; Gloria Friberg; Betty Bowen; Phyllis Miller; Helen Bormann; Carol Bladick.
- SECOND ROW: Miss S. Stroup, SPONSOR; Phyllis Hetrick; Tevis Calloway; Lois Meyers; Jane DeYoung; Deanna Walker; Kay Jones; Fatima Arnstrong; Mrs. N. Fletcher, co-sponsor.
- THIRD ROW: Cheryn Minor, Gisela Jacobsma, Wilma Hetrick; Jolene Benoit; Audrey Krypel; Barbara Terpstra; Doralee Boezeman; Dianne Venekamp.
- FOURTH ROW: Ethel DeMoss; Peggy DeMoss; Karen Williams; Phyllis Bays; Kay McFarland; Madge Arnett; Bethel Bailey; Mary O'Connor; Mary Long.
- FIFTH ROW: Donna Brown; Dorothy Snow; Mary Grube; Nancy Starzer; Deanna Peckech; Joyce Tillema; Shirley Seegars; Rosalene Prater; Lucille McCarty; Shirley Davis.



### **F.F.A.**

We are very proud of our chapter this year, it has grown from 31 members last year to 42 members this year, which are mostly Freshmen.

This year we entered the grain judging and parliamentary procedure contests held at Morocco where the grain judging team won first place and the parliamentary procedure team placed second. The participants were as follows:

Grain Judging: Greogry Schiff, George Wright, Steve Kerkies, John Neely.

Parliamentary Procedure: Richard Wright, Edward Corbin, Robert Lykins, Jerry Grube, Arthur Savich, Richard Van Vuren, Bill Hershman.

This year the American Farmer Degree was conferred upon Tom Korniak, a former member of our chapter, at the National Convention in Kansas City. This is a great honor to receive, only 7 other boys in the state of Indiana having received this degree. Our chapter is very proud of Tom.

We have been very active this year with money making projects. We picked up popcorn and sold garden seeds; we also plan to build hog troughs and raise chickens to sell.



### *Boys' Service Club*

FRONT ROW: Ray Reeder; Walter Rossmanith, Secretary; Mr. Manke, Sponsor; James O'Connor, Treasurer; Harry Waddle.  
 SECOND ROW: Forrest Campbell; Doyle Lee, President; Donnie Misch, Vice-President; Allen Stembel; Stanley Friberg.  
 THIRD ROW: Artie Savage; Kenny Jones; John Tillema; Donald Fulayter; Raymond Dybcio; Bruce Howard.

The club was organized to promote civic improvement and good citizenship.

The first meeting was held in October in which the starting five members were present. It was held at the home of Mr. Manke. We now hold our monthly meetings at the schoolhouse on the second Monday of the month. The first project to be worked on will be the athletic field, which will be started in the spring. After this, we hope to do many more things to help the school and community.



### Chorus

BACK ROW: James O'Connor; Karen Williams; Roger Sculley; Angenette Gorter; Richard Van Vuren; Robert Lykins; Raymond Ballard; Deanna Peckech; Edward Corbin; Shirley Seegers; Walter Rossmanith.

SECOND ROW: Leona Jones; Rosaline Prater; Donna Brown; Anna Hetrick; Marian Bayes; Betty Myers; Jolene Benoit; Peggy DeMoss; Audrey Krypel; Bethel Bailey.

THIRD ROW: Ida Freeman; Barbara Terpster; Christine DeMoss; Tevis Calloway; Deanna Walker; Larry Thomas; Patty Bachman; Carol Myers; Doralee Boezamn; Dianne Venekamp.

FOURTH ROW: Carol Bladick; Kay Jones; Linda Green; Dorothy Snow; Grace De Haan; Peggy Martin; Wilma Salyers; Betty Reeder; Twyla Sculley.

FIFTH ROW: Mr. Littlejohn; Carlyn Martin; Aurelia Plaga; Phylis Miller; Sonja Stanton; Betty Bowen; Arlene Brown; Beverly Allen; Ruby Selby.

FRONT ROW: Diana Stanton; Ethel DeMoss; Lillian Fulayter; Mary Grube; Shirley Davis; Steve Kerkes; Phyllis Bayes; Kay McFarland; Aladena Whitaker; Madge Arnett.

There are 59 members in the chorus, which is under the direction of Mr. Littlejohn. These pupils have provided entertainment for various school activities, throughout the year.



### *Band*

- OUTSIDE ROW: Sonja Stanton, James O'Connor, Tevis Calloway, Walter Rossmanith, Ronald Gastineau, Edwin Allsietz, Leona Lauritis, Richard Boezeman, Arthur Bierma, Shirley Seegers, Roger Sculley, Mr. Littlejohn, Carolyn Martin, Curtis Martin, Larry Thomas, Richard Van Vuren, Twyla Sculley, Judy Korniak, Fred Rossmanith, Eldon Jefferies, Wilma Hetrick.
- MIDDLE ROW: Margaret Schultz, Jean Fulayter, Mary Misch; Donald Fulayter, Lillian Fulayter, Mary Grube, Louise Grube, Eddie Allan.
- INSIDE ROW: Joan Myers, Mildred Massoth, Karen Myers, Mary Robbins, Patty Schultz, Doris Misch, Peggy Martin, Henrietta Reed, Billy Sampson, Aurelia Plaga.

The Wheatfield High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Littlejohn, has appeared in the Jasper County Festival, the music contest, and numerous school activities and programs. They have done a fine job.





ATHLETICS



## Football Season

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Opening the 1953 season we introduced two new coaches, Mr. Fred Jones, taking over as head coach and Mr. Arno Manke as assistant coach.

Starting this football season there were 15 boys out for the first practice consisting of 1 Senior, 10 Juniors, 1 Sophomore and 3 Freshmen.

		WE	THEY
DeMotte	Lost	20	59
Fair Oaks	Won	26	14
Mt. Ayr	Lost	12	14
DeMotte	Lost	18	33
Morocco	Lost	6	32
Mt. Ayr	Won	33	24
Kentland	Lost	6	33

The boys had the fight and the snap that it took to make a team, but it was something new for those that were out for the first time. After two weeks of hard practice, the boys were toughened for their first game of the season with DeMott, even with such fine leadership, however, the boys ran into a more experienced team and were defeated. Nevertheless, losing the game built the spirit of the team up for the next game and proved to be well worth the effort in the game with Fair Oaks. Although is was Fair Oaks' first time at football for eight years, they proved to have the same fight and spirit of our own team, but not quite the experience. The game ended with Wheatfield rolling over them with a score of 26-14.

The next game was with Mt. Ayr which was a hard fought battle, especially in the last half. The boys splashed through driving rain and sticky mud in a desperate battle accentuated by lightning flashes and flickering floodlights. The game ended with Mt. Ayr defeating us by two points.

Although we lost the next two games, we came back and showed excellent team work, trampling Mt. Ayr by a score of 33 to 24.

In the final game Wheatfield faced Kentland, on the Wheatfield gridiron. After the dust settled down it was found that Wheatfield had been beaten by a strong and highly experienced Kentland team by the score of 33 to 6. Thus ending the 1953 football season.





DON FULAYTAR-CENTER



THERMAN CONLEY-END



CARSON BAILEY-END



KENNY JONES-END



FORREST CAMPBELL-QUARTERBACK



WAYNE REEDER-HALF BACK



RAY DYBCIO-HALF BACK



RAY REEDER-HALF BACK

## Basketball Season

With a new coach to do the piloting, Wheatfield started the season very slowly; but as time went on they picked up ground in a hurry. When it came time for the LaCrosse Tourney the boys were all sparked up and won the Tourney by beating LaCrosse and San Pierre respectively.

When the K.V.T. came the boys cooled off and were beaten by DeMotte. Then they started on a four game winning streak but finally were defeated by Medaryville. Then the Devils continued losing for the remaining scheduled games.

Thanks for a good season COACH JONES.

### WHEATFIELD BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov.	6	Rolling Prairie	Lost
Nov.	13	Mt. Ayr	Won
Nov.	17	Tefft	Won
Nov.	24	Fair Oaks	Lost
Dec.	4	Remington	Won
Dec.	11	Morton Hammond	Lost
Dec.	15	Gary Edison	Lost
Dec.	18	Morgan	Won
Dec.	22-23	LaCrosse Tourney	Won
Jan.	8	DeMotte	Lost
Jan.	14-15-16	K.V.T.	Lost
Jan.	22	Dyer	Won
Jan.	26	St. Mary's Michigan City	Won
Jan.	29	LaCrosse	Won
Feb.	2	Kouts	Won
Feb.	5	Medaryville	Lost
Feb.	12	Hebron	Lost
Feb.	19	San Pierre	Lost

### Yell Leaders

We owe much to our cheerleaders, for their enthusiastic yell and unique formations which added greatly to our basketball games.

L. to R. Anna Hetrick, Diane Venekamp, Linda Green, Mary Jackson.















The 1953 track team of Wheatfield High School was a highly honored team. This year the team placed third in the K.V.T. They also won the County Track Meet and got a trophy for the Mile Relay. The boys set a record scoring the highest points in any County Track Meet.

All in all the boys did very well with 5 wins and 3 losses.

The track team is composed of the following:

- FIRST ROW:** Dickie Cavender, Ray Reeder, Wayne Calloway, Bob Hershman, Bill Hershman, Stanley Friberg, Wesley Pierson.
- SECOND ROW:** John Caldwell, Roy Bennet, Forest Campbell, Arthur Savage, Harvey Van Clay, Wayne Reeder, Richard Davis.
- THIRD ROW:** Coach Howard Williams, Ray Dybcio, Bruce Howard, Don Fulayter, Ronnie Jones, John Tillima, Kenny Jones, Carson Bailey, Therman Conley, Manager Charles Hendrix.

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Carson Bailey  
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### TRACK - 1953

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Ronald Jones  
Wesley Pierson  
Paul Walker  
Roy Bennett  
Don Fulaytar  
Bruce Howard  
Kenny Jones

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Harvey Van Kley  
Richard Cavinder  
Carson Bailey  
Therman Conley  
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### 6th Grade

FIRST ROW: Maxine Salyer, Linda Stowers, Patty Massoth, Shanon Cavinder, Virginia Martin, Lois De Young, Larry Barker, Tommy Strain, Eddie Myers, Glen Leach.  
 SECOND ROW: Larry Florence, Grover Bailey, Johnny Garling, Judy Parker, Doris Crowmover, Carol Bovenkirk, Adele Fraley, Roger Pierson, Dorothy Pettet, Jerry Fulaytar, Judy Bice, Eddie Schultz, De Ette Bays.  
 THIRD ROW: Mrs. Kirkland, Patsy Finny, Connie Myers, Duane Myers, Neal Meyers, Terry Lawyer, Mary Hilliard, Shirley Parton, Sally Raich, Ruth Fraley, Patty Hendrix, Rex Hetrick, Norma Kessel, Earl Jefferson.



### 5th Grade

FIRST ROW: Helga Jacobsma, DeWayne Selby, Beulah Hendrix, Patsy Finny, Larry Robbins, Jimmy DeVine, Ruth Korniak, Linda Stanton, Tom Cavinder.  
 SECOND ROW: Jack Williams, Sandra Jones, Albert Klemp, Gene Hamstra, Walter Mathis, Chester Ferrell, Jean Krug, Sammy Wright, Dennis Fletcher.  
 THIRD ROW: Mr. Miller, Rosemary Whitaker, Harry Hoffman, Penny Lawyer, David Olson, David Hetrick, Laverne Sampson, Ruth Fulaytar, Barry Grube, Lester Ferrell.



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- FIRST ROW: Carl Melcher, Judy Garling, Clarence Misch, Sandra Massoth, William Luttrell, Harry Salyer, Charles Johnson, Nancy Klemp, Glen Williams, Kathleen Williams, Richard Myers, Lulu Luttrell.
- SECOND ROW: Stanley Myers, Frances Bays, Forest Pettet, Thomas Stone, Nancy Merkel, Warren Bovenkirk, Grace Hendrix, Ray Pierson, Marilyn Myers, William Stenbel, Sheila Barker, Robert Davis, Carol Jones.
- THIRD ROW: Carolyn Klemp, William McElroy, Kenneth Postma, Irene Tillema, Bruce Woollever, Richard Huhn, Billy Bragg, Thomas Caldwell, Alice Stalbaum, Robert Misch, Pamela Hilton, Albert Hoffman, Edna Bailey.



#### 3rd Grade

- FIRST ROW: Jerry Wolf, Mary Jane Ferrell, Susie Bailey, Sandra Hoen, John Grube, Richard Leach, Christine Lauratit, George Brower, Melvin Selby.
- SECOND ROW: Bruce Fraley, Betty Jean Mathis, Richard Parker, Charlene Jefferson, Patricia Kerkas, David Wright, Barbara Caldwell, Ann Strain, Billy Smith.
- THIRD ROW: Larry Hoffman, Eddie Marks, Elizabeth Wright, Marjorie Kikkert, Sandra Murray, Paul Pavot, Maxine Hilliard, Terry Bragg, Mary Lou Davis, Patricia Sampson.



### *Second Grade*

FIRST ROW: Kathern Pettet, Betty Salyer, Teddy Whited, Bobby King, Tom Whitaker, Billy Mich, Ronald Parker, George Autman, Pamela Barker, Eddie Gulbransen, Ruby Leach, Linda Nelson.  
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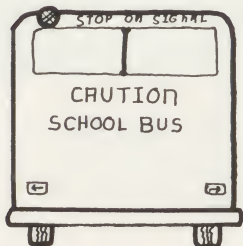


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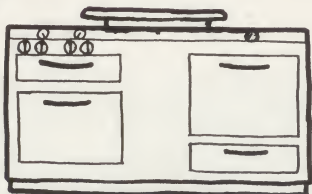


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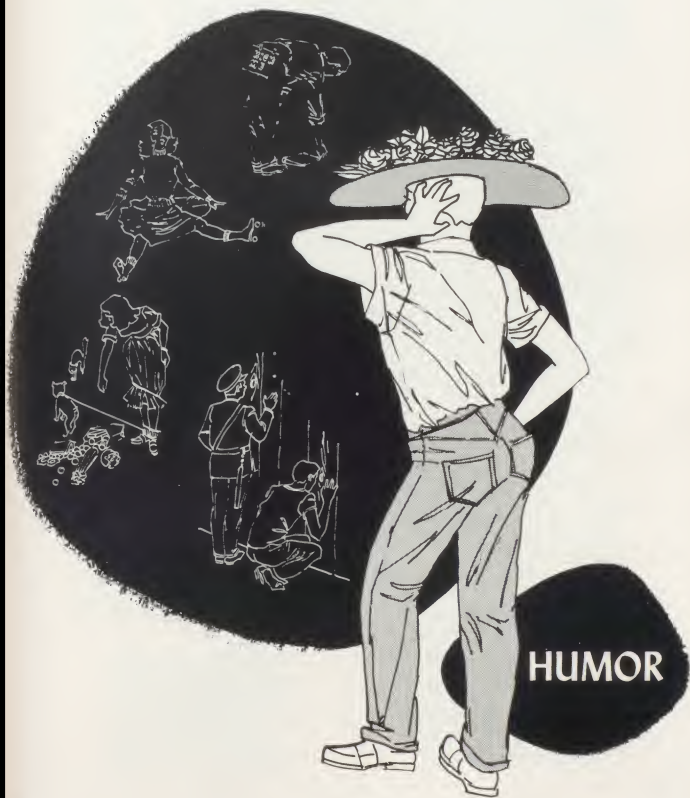


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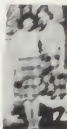


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